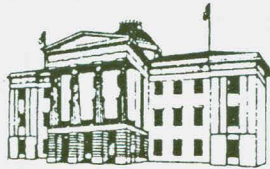


State of North Carolina



BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE
GOVERNOR

ASK DAY

2012

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, gun violence plagues our nation and claims the lives of 8 children every day; and

WHEREAS, over 40% of American homes with children have guns, and many are kept unlocked and loaded in insecure areas; and

WHEREAS, children in the United States are more likely to die of gun violence than from all natural causes combined; and

WHEREAS, concern about guns in the home may help prevent tragedies and protect lives; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina joins the ASK (Asking Saves Kids) Campaign in encouraging parents and all citizens, including gun owners, concerned about the welfare of children, to ask their friends and neighbors if there is a gun in their home before sending a child over to play;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE, Governor of the State of North Carolina do hereby proclaim June 20, 2012, as "ASK DAY" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Beverly Eaves Perdue".

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this fourth day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-sixth.